

### **Amendments To The Claims**

This Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

#### **Listing Of Claims:**

Claims 1 to 11 (Canceled)

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): A process comprising manufacturing a multi-layer packaging film for a packaging having at least one line of perforations that are provided in a pre-cut plastic layer as a surface layer of the multi-layer packaging film of the packaging, and serve as an aid for alignment of a tear line propagating in the multi-layer packaging film upon tearing open the packaging, including cutting the perforations [into] completely through a film that is to be the pre-cut plastic layer, each at least one line of perforations extending from edge to edge of the multi-layer packaging film, and joining said pre-cut plastic layer at least one other layer to provide the multi-layer packaging film, and providing a notch for initiating tearing in the region of the perforations, said packaging being easy to open by means of said tear line.

Claim 13 (Previously Amended): The process according to Claim 12, wherein the pre-cut plastic layer is joined to the at least one other layer by means of an adhesive layer to make up the multi-layer film.

Claim 14 (Previously Amended): The process according to Claim 13, wherein the perforations are cut before coating the film with adhesive.

Claim 15 (Previously Amended): The process according to Claim 13, wherein the perforations are cut after coating the film with adhesive.

Claim 16 (Previously Amended): The process according to Claim 14, wherein two lines of perforations are cut parallel or substantially parallel to each other and at a distance (e) apart as guidelines on both sides of a tear which propagates in the packaging film on tearing open the packaging, and the notch is situated between the two lines of perforations.

Claim 17 (Previously Amended): The process according to Claim 16, wherein the packaging film is employed for the production of pouch forms of packaging.

Claim 18 (Previously Amended): The process according to Claim 15, wherein two lines of perforations are cut parallel or substantially parallel to each other and at a distance (e) apart as guidelines on both sides of a tear which propagates in the packaging film on tearing open the packaging, and the notch is situated between the two lines of perforations.

Claim 19 (Previously Amended): The process according to Claim 18, wherein the packaging film is employed for the production of pouch forms of packaging.

Claim 20 (Previously Amended): The process according to Claim 12, wherein the pre-cut plastic layer is joined to the at least one other by means of extrusion to make up the multi-layered film.

Claim 21 (Previously Amended): The process according to Claim 20, wherein two lines of perforations are cut parallel or substantially parallel to each other and at a distance (e) apart as guidelines on both sides of a tear which

propagates in the packaging film on tearing open the packaging, and the notch is situated between two lines of perforations.

Claim 22 (Previously Amended): The process according to Claim 21, wherein the packaging film is employed for the production of pouch forms of packaging.

Claim 23 (Previously Amended): The process according to Claim 12, wherein two lines of perforations are cut parallel or substantially parallel to each other and at a distance (e) apart as guideline on both sides of a tear which propagates in the packaging film on tearing open the packaging, and the notch is situated between the two lines of perforations.

Claim 24 (Previously Amended): The process according to Claim 23, wherein the packaging film is employed for the production of pouch forms of packaging.

Claim 25 (Previously Amended): The process according to Claim 13, wherein two lines of perforations are cut parallel or substantially parallel to each other and at a distance (e) apart as guidelines on both sides of a tear which propagates in the packaging film on tearing open the packaging, and the notch is situated between the two lines of perforations.

Claim 26 (Previously Amended): The process according to Claim 25, wherein the packaging film is employed for the production of pouch forms of packaging.

Claim 27 (Previously Amended): The process according to Claim 12, wherein the packaging film is employed for the production of pouch forms of packaging.

Claim 28 (Previously Amended): Packaging comprised at least in part of a packaging film manufactured using the process according to Claim 12, rim around outer opening of each perforation is flat and in plane of outer surface of the packaging film.

Claim 29 (Previously Amended): Packaging according to Claim 28, wherein the pre-cut plastic layer with the perforations is situated on the inner side of the packaging.

Claim 30 (Canceled).

Claim 31 (Previously Amended): Packaging according to Claim 29, wherein the notch is situated between two lines of perforations.

Claim 32 (Canceled).

Claim 33 (Previously Amended): Packaging according to Claim 28, wherein the notch is situated between two lines of perforations.

Claim 34 (Previously Amended): Packaging comprised at least in part of a packaging film manufactured using the process according to Claim 13, rim around outer opening of each perforation is flat and in plane of outer surface of the packaging film.

Claim 35 (Previously Amended): Packaging according to Claim 34, wherein the film with the perforations is situated on the inner side of the packaging.

Claim 36 (Canceled).

Claim 37 (Previously Amended): Packaging according to Claim 35, wherein the notch is situated between two lines of perforations.

Claim 38 (Previously Amended): Packaging comprised at least in part of a packaging film manufactured using the process according to Claim 17, rim around outer opening of each perforation is flat and in plane of outer surface of the packaging film.

Claim 39 (Previously Amended): Packaging comprised at least in part of a packaging film manufactured using the process according to Claim 19, rim around outer opening of each perforation is flat and in plane of outer surface of the packaging film.

Claim 40 (Previously Amended): Packaging comprised at least in part of a packaging film manufactured using the process according to Claim 10, rim around outer opening of each perforation is flat and in plane of outer surface of the packaging film.

Claim 41 (Previously Amended): Packaging comprised at least in part of a packaging film manufactured using the process according to Claim 23, rim around outer opening of each perforation is flat and in plane of outer surface of the packaging film.

Claim 42 (Currently Amended): A packaging comprising two opposed wall members comprising a multi-layer packaging film, each wall member having at least one line of perforations that are provided in ~~a~~ an outer plastic surface layer of said wall member and serve as an aid for alignment of a tear line propagating in the packaging film upon tearing open the packaging, a notch for initiating tearing in

region of the perforations, rim around outer opening of each perforation is flat and in plane of outer surface of the packaging film, the packaging being easy to open by means of said tear line.